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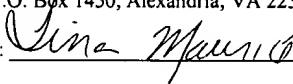
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1. Appeal Brief (original and two copies); and
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